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BILL NO. 35-0054

Thirty-Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

March 2, 2023

An Act amending title 1 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 7, section 103b, relating to the Centennial Treasures Award, to provide for a single, lumpsum award payment

PROPOSED BY: Senators Dwayne M. DeGraff, Angel L. Bolques, Jr., and Samuel Carrión
Co-sponsor: Ray Fonseca

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. Title 1 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 7, section 103b, subsection (c) is amended by striking all the language after "grant of" and inserting "$5,000" in its place.

BILL SUMMARY

This bill amends the Centennial Treasures Award statute to provide for a single $5,000 award payment. Under existing law, upon a person's 100th birthday, the Commissioner of the Department of Human Services awards the centenarian $4,000, and upon the death of the centenarian, another 1,000 is awarded towards the recipient's burial. Under this bill, the centenarian would receive the entire $5,000 in a single payment upon the centenarian's 100th birthday.

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